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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 24, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 9 as follows:

- 1 9. (Thrice Amended) An immunoassay method of quantifying a predetermined antigen
- 2 in a sample of whole blood, comprising the steps of:
 - 3 providing a sample of the whole blood;
 - 4 adding a hemolysis reagent to the sample of the whole blood to hemolyse the
 - 5 blood corpuscles;